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RE: Kentucky Utilities' Rate Increase  
Request: Case NO. 2004-00460

I ask that you consider the thousands upon thousands of Kentuckians living on fixed incomes, when you are considering KU's request for yet another rate increase. KU's profits have always been huge, even when they charged some of the lowest rates in the nation.

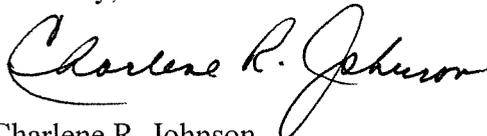
KU should NOT join the Midwest Independent Transmission System. This will create a shortage of electric power in Kentucky so that KU can sell electricity to the rest of the nation. "Brown-outs", which have never affected Kentucky, will now do so.

Since KU is hellbent on joining MISO, any costs incurred should come from the company's profits, not from its customers.

It's time to throw away your "Yes" rubber stamp and start denying rate increases to utility companies. The fools on the commission allowed our utility companies to be sold to foreign corporations. I hope you will be more considerate of the citizens of Kentucky than past commission members have been.

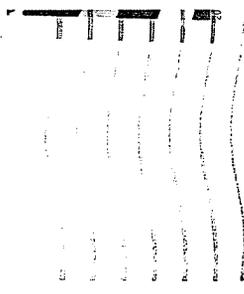
I ask you to please, ALWAYS, remember the hundreds of thousands of Kentuckians living below the poverty level when you are considering rate increases for any of our utility companies: water, electricity, telephone, gas, oil. Each increase you give to these large corporations is taking food out the mouths of poor people.. I have seen senior citizens struggling to pay their utility bills, along with other necessities of life, out of their meager social security checks. You must represent these and others who are struggling, when you consider ANY rate increase.

Sincerely,



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